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Carmel Viado

Sent:

Thursday, August 09, 2007 10:30 AM

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Dorothy Marsili

Subject:

FW: Lakes proposed office building

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From: Beverly Bridges

Sent: Thursday, August 09, 2007 10:03 AM

To: Agenda Items

Subject: FW: Lakes proposed office building

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From: Larry Harala

Sent: Thursday, August 09, 2007 8:34 AM

To: Beverly Bridges

Subject: FW: Lakes proposed office building

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From: stan van GUNDY [mailto:stanpatv@yahoo.com]

Sent: Thursday, August 09, 2007 7:40 AM

To: Larry Harala

Subject: Lakes proposed office building

Dear Mr. Harala;

Thank you for attending the neighborhood meeting on Saturday.

I wish to convey to commissioner Wolfson that my wife and I are against having a five story office building at the Lakes. That size building would be completely out of place in that location.

There is a building on the corner of Westcliff and Rainbow that I pass by often, I ask myself why would any one put that size biulding in that location, because it dwarfs everything around it.

I feel the same comparison will apply to the proposed office building at the Lakes. It is in the middle of a residential neighborhood which only allows two and three story construction,

The neighbors I have talked to all agree that the proposed building would not be appropriate for this area.

Sincerely C.S. Van Gundy 2904 Crystal Bay Drive 363-8010

From:

**Beverly Bridges** 

Sent:

Thursday, August 09, 2007 8:12 AM

To:

Agenda Items

Subject:

Fw. Citizen Response: Five Story Building in The Lakes area

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

---- Original Message -----

From: Larry Harala

To: Margo Wheeler; Beverly Bridges Sent: Thu Aug 09 07:10:00 2007

Subject: Citizen Response: Five Story Building in The Lakes area

From: Sjrlion@aol.com[SMTP:SJRLION@AOL.COM] Sent: Tuesday, July 24, 2007 6:22:59 PM

To: Steve Wolfson

Subject: Five Story Building in The Lakes area Auto forwarded by a Rule

Dear Councilman Wolfson,

It has come to my attention that there is a proposed 5-story building to be built adjacent to Citi Bank in The Lakes area. I am writing to express to you that I am adamantly opposed to a building of that height in our neighborhood. I am not opposed to a new office structure that is commensurate in height with the surrounding office buildings and Citi Bank's offices, but it is totally inappropriate to have the new developer build as high as he has proposed. Please do not allow this to happen, as it would destroy the uniformity and appeal of this area. And, please I ask you to employ whatever powers of persuasion to you might possess to convince the rest of the council that this 5-story building is not a good project for our beautiful area.

I thank you in advance for your advocacy.

Cordially,

Stephanie Rogers

8737 Carlitas Joy Court

.Las Vegas, Nevada 89117

(702) 255-9314

From:

**Beverly Bridges** 

Sent:

Thursday, August 09, 2007 8:13 AM

To:

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Fw: Citizen Response: Lake Sahara proposed five story bldg.

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

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From: Larry Harala To: Margo Wheeler Cc: Beverly Bridges

Sent: Thu Aug 09 07:07:48 2007

Subject: Citizen Response: Lake Sahara proposed five story bldg.

From: Nancy Slitz[SMTP:N.SLITZ@VIRIDIANRESIDENTIAL.COM]

Sent: Monday, July 30, 2007 12:13:45 PM

To: Steve Wolfson

Subject: Lake Sahara proposed five story bldg.

Auto forwarded by a Rule

Dear Councilman Wolfson,

Please let this e mail serve as a written letter of opposition to the proposed five story building on Lake Sahara Drive within "The Lakes" community (SDR-22258).

My husband John and I live at 2820 High Sail Court and chose this community because of the serenity and beauty of the lake in our neighborhood. While we are not against the development of this land, we are totally against a five story building on this property. We believe it would change the character of our neighborhood.

We hope you will continue to represent us in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Nancy and John Slitz

Home phone: 233 2610

From:

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Thursday, August 09, 2007 8:12 AM

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Fw: Citizen Response: 5 story building on Sahara and Lake Sahara

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From: Larry Harala

To: Margo Wheeler; Beverly Bridges Sent: Thu Aug 09 07:08:21 2007

Subject: Citizen Response: 5 story building on Sahara and Lake Sahara

From: mdkravec[SMTP:VEGASELVISRENO@EARTHLINK.NET]

Sent: Friday, August 03, 2007 9:43:06 AM

To: Steve Wolfson

Subject: 5 story glass building on Sahara and Lake Sahara Auto forwarded by a Rule

Councilman Wolfson,

I live at the Lakes and I am very much AGAINST the building on Sahara and Lake Sahara. There is a day care, nursing home, and children walking on Lake North to school. If that building fails because the rent is high, we will have an eyesore there. Please vote against it. Traffic on Sahara is bad now, this will make it so much worse. I say NO to this project.

Also, I want a call from YOU, not your assistant.

Sincerely,

Diane Kravec/Jim Hellard 2925 Crystal Bay Drive LV 89117

cell: 271-9028

From:

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Sent:

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From: Larry Harala

To: Margo Wheeler; Beverly Bridges Sent: Thu Aug 09 07:08:54 2007

Subject: Citizen Response Lake Sahara Five story building

From: Lou Somers[SMTP:LOUSOMERS@COX.NET] Sent: Sunday, July 29, 2007 11:28:14 AM

To: Steve Wolfson Cc: Gary Reese

Subject: Five story building

Dear Councilman Wolfson,

I am very much opposed to the five story building that is proposed along the Lake Sahara & the vacant lot adjacent to the Citibank building on Sahara Ave. I live within "The Lakes" community near the proposed (SDR-22258). The height of this building will dwarf any structure within a six mile stretch of Sahara, and will be an eye sore to the neighborhood, rather than a welcoming one. Please consider this very carefully, as this is NOT a neighborhood friendly building. Other options can be proposed and would be a welcoming addition to our community. Thank you for your time and will see you at the Planning Commission Hearing on Aug.9th.

Louis Somers

3004 Island View Ct

Las Vegas, NV 89117

Phone 363-0329

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From: Larry Harala

To: Margo Wheeler; Beverly Bridges Sent: Thu Aug 09 07:09:32 2007

Subject: Citizen Response Lake Sahara Office Building

From: Sonio's[SMTP:SONIOSCAFE@AOL.COM] Sent: Sunday, July 29, 2007 12:11:11 PM

To: Steve Wolfson

Subject: opposition for buliding in the lakes Auto forwarded by a Rule

Dear Mr. Wolfson;

We are opposing the new 5 story building being proposed next to citibank in the lakes. We are homeowners in the lakes, actualy, we own two homes across from each other, both on the lake, and feel that the amount of traffic that this building would bring to our area would also bring with it, additional problems that would lower our quality of living, and our real property values. It would also ruin the views for many people who have purchased homes farther west of us. We hope that you can fight against this, and perhaps get them to tone the building down a bit, if not completely.

Sincerely,

Yiorgo & Rebecca Aretos

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Yiorgo Aretos President

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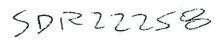
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# **Benchmark Association Services**

August 1st, 2007

Councilman Steve Wolfson City of Las Vegas 400 East Stewart Ave. Las Vegas, NV 89101

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Respectfully,

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CC: Margo Wheeler

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THE LAKES ASSOCIATION-DIRECTORS 1515 E TROPICANA AVE. SUITE 350A LAS VEGAS, NEVADA 89119

THE RESIDENTS, OF THE LAKES ASSOCIATION, FIND IT CHALLENGING "THE LAKES BOARD OF DIRECTORS" TAKE IT UPON THEMSELVES TO MAKE USE OF THE LAKES ASSOCIATION TO EXPRESS THEIR FEELINGS AS CAMPAIGN, OF NOT ALL THE HOA RESIDENTS AND THE HOA FUNDS OF THE ASSOCIATION, INCLUDING MAILINGS, TO SEND CORRESPONDENCE WITHOUT REGARDS TO THE APPROVAL OF IT'S MEMBERS AS THE RESIDENTS, THE "MEMBERS OF THE LAKES ASSOCIATION".

IT'S BEEN THE ASSOCIATION MEMBERS UNDERSTANDING, MATTERS NOT RELATED TO THE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, AND THEIR MEMBERS FUNDS ARE NOT PERMITTED TO SPEAK FOR US OR USE AS A GROUP TO SUPPORT OUTSIDE MATTERS THAT DO NOT CONCERN THE "OPERATION OR PURPOSE" OF THE HOA ASSOCIATION AS INDIVIDUAL CAMPAIGNS.

WITH THIS COPY, WE THE CONCERNED NEIGHBORS, OF THE LAKES ASSOCIATION, DISAGREE TO THE STATEMENTS OF; A). "NO BUILDINGS IN OUR COMMUNITY OVER TWO STORIES", SOME HOMES ARE BUILT WITHIN THE LAKES ASSOCIATION ARE OVER 3 STORIES. B). THOROUGHFARE WOULD NOT INTERFERE WITH THE ASSOCIATION. CITI BANK DOES NOT! C). BUILDING ABOVE FOUR STORIES IS THREE MILES AWAY IS NOT TRUE, THIS BUILDING WOULD NOT BLOCK ANY VIEWS OF HOMES WITHIN THE AREA AND THEIR ARE THREE STORIES + HOMES IN THIS AREA. D). FIND THE PARKING TO BE OF NO PROBLEM AS FOUND WITH CITI BANK'S PARKING, NO PROBLEMS. E). SEVERAL HOMEOWNER MEETINGS HAVE NOT EXPRESSED THE MAJORITY TO THE OPPOSITION OF THIS PROPOSED BUILDING. AGAIN, ASSOCIATION IS NOT ALLOWED TO SPEAK FOR IT'S MEMBERS!

THE CONCERNED NEIGHBORS FEELS, THE LAKES BOARD OF DIRECTOR, ONLY GO UP AGAINST THE PROPOSED BUILDING, BECAUSE THEY WILL NOT HAVE CONTROL AS AN ASSOCIATION, BUILDING WOULD NOT BELONG TO ANY ASSOCIATION FOR CONTROLS AND OR ASSOCIATION FEES.

COUNCILMAN STEVE WOLFSON CITY HALL 400 STEWART AVE LAS VEGAS, NV. 89101

RE: APN 163-08-513-003 PROPOSED 5 STORY BUILDING AT SAHARA & LAKE EAST DRIVE.

WE ARE PROTESTING THE PROPOSED

5 STORY BUILDING NEAR CITICORP.
WE CAN LIVE WITH A 3 STORY HIGH
BUILDING.

RESPECTFULLY
Wayne a Schmidt Bergen NAYNE A. & PATRICIA SCHMIDTBERGER

W.A. SCHMIDTBERGER 3084 WATERSIDE CIR 4V. NV. 89118

SDR-22258

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SUBJECT: PROPOSED 5 STORY BLDG

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CITY CLERK

July 21, 2007

Mr. Larry Harala City Council Liaison (for Steve Wolfson) City Hall 400 Stewart Avenue Las Vegas, NV 89101

Dear Mr. Wolfson:

We are residents of The Lakes at Laguna Bay Estates.

Recently, we heard that a 5-story office building is being planned for the area adjacent to the Citi Bank on Lake Sahara. The developer also has plans for three 1 story office buildings leading down to Lake North street, and then around the corner. While we, the residents, would like to see that area built out, we are concerned for the extreme height of the building that is planned for five stories in height.

Please understand we are not opposed to having an office building that conforms to the height of all other commercial entities within The Lakes. This way, the general appearance and ambiance of The Lakes is preserved.

The staff of the planning department for the city of Las Vegas stated in their research "the proposed five-story office building is compatible with the surrounding office buildings and with "The Lakes" master planned area". We totally disagree with this statement. One has to drive three miles east on Sahara to get to the first building over two stories, which is the Nevada Power building, and that is only three stories.

This building is advertising sales of their office condos with "golf course" views and lake views. It appears the developer is looking to capitalize on the lake view and golf course view, all because he'll be permitted to tower over everybody.

Please take this letter as our formal protest to the height (five stories) of the building.

We hope this protest letter will be given its due consideration.

Thank you.

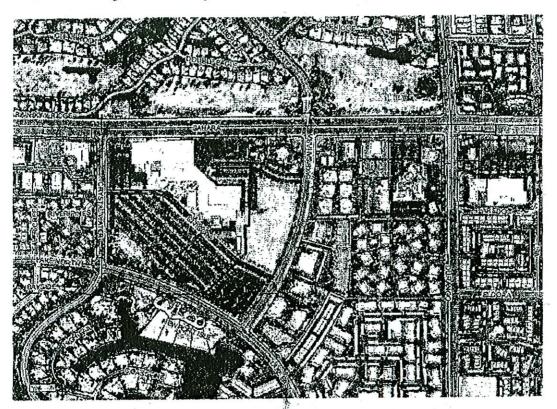
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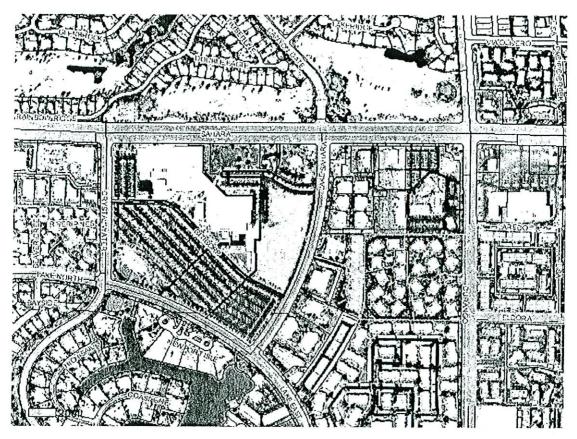
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Submitted at Planning Commission

Date 8/9/07 Item# 6

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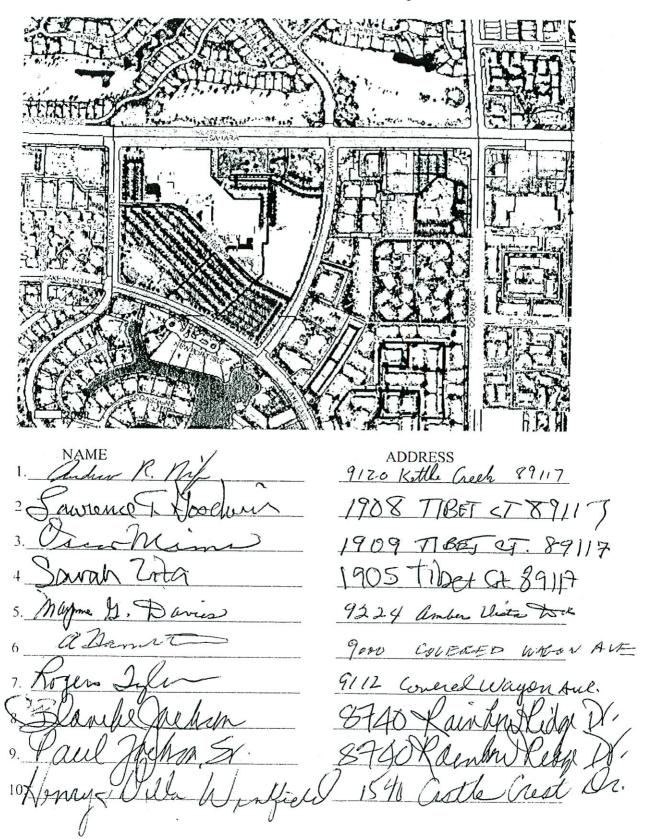
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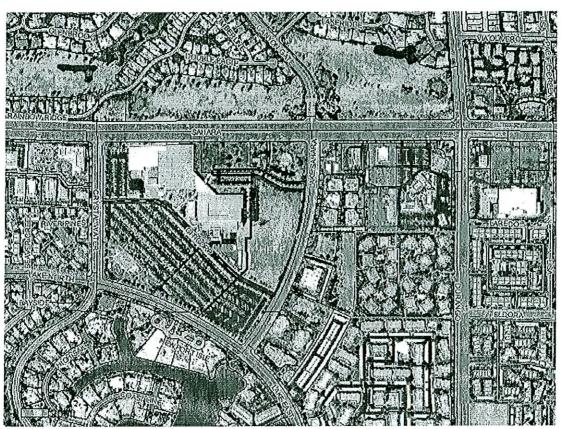
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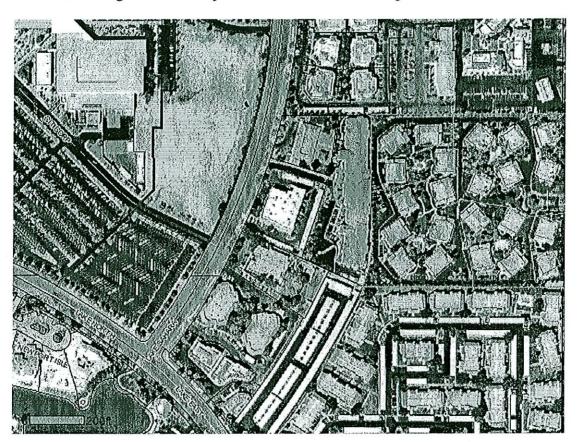
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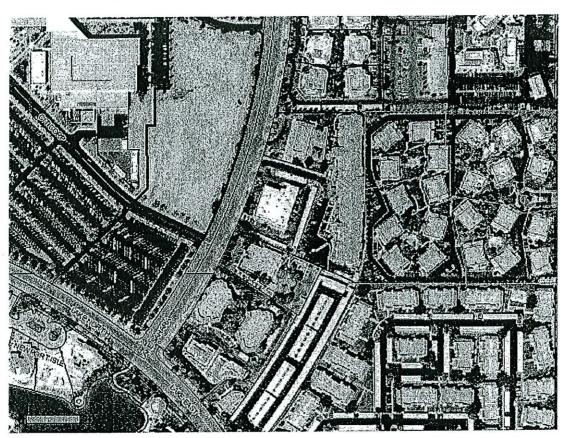


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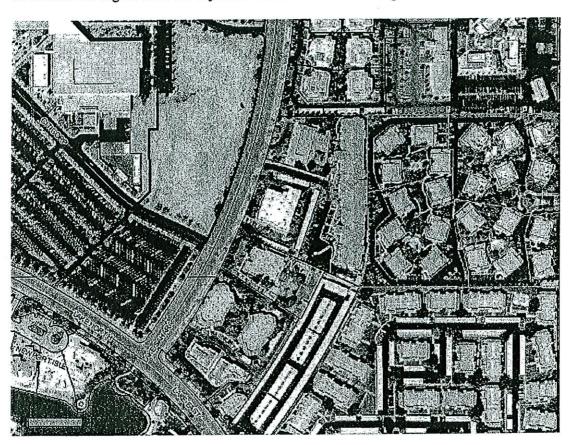


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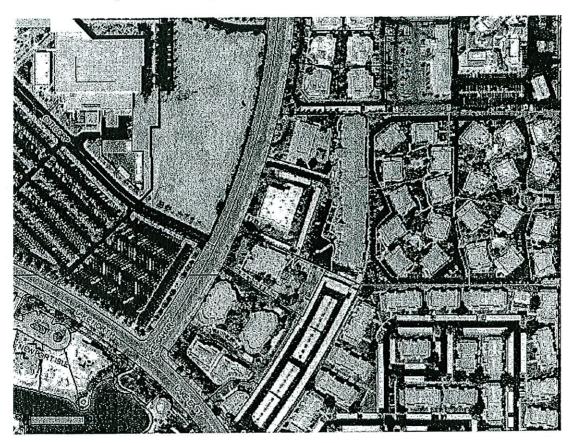


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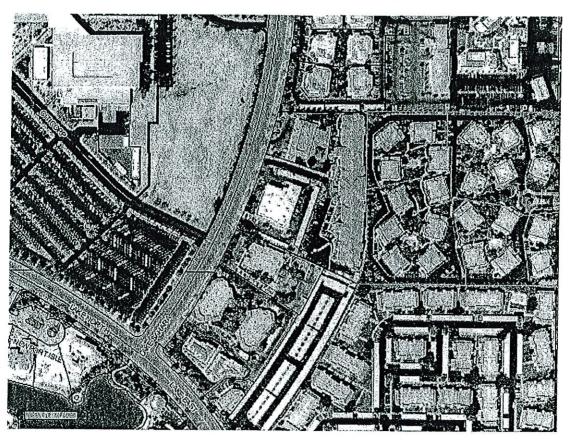
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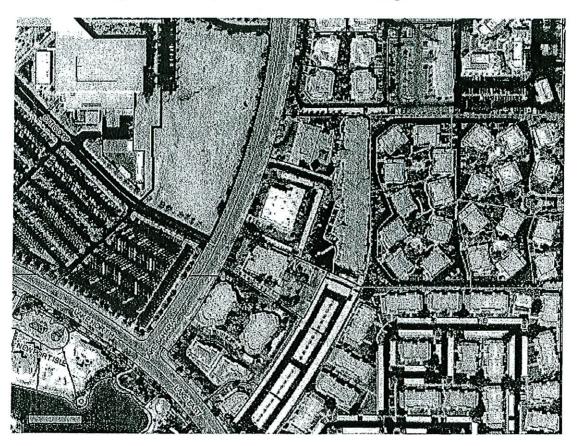
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August 8, 2007

Oscar B Goodman, Mayor City of Las Vegas 731 S 4<sup>th</sup> St Las Vegas, NV 89101

Dear Mayor Goodman:

I am writing to you and members of the Las Vegas City Council in <u>opposition to Item SDR-22258</u>, scheduled for hearing, August 9, 2007, at the Las Vegas Planning Commission meeting, namely the proposed <u>five story</u> office building in the heart of the Lakes. I became aware of this project by alert neighbors on August 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Since I am unable to appear that day I wish that my letter of opposition be included in the record for that meeting and upcoming City Council meeting in September featuring this project by Margel, LLC (currently in default of its filed documents with the Secretary of State's office – August 1, 2007).

The July 12, 2007, recommendation by City of Las Vegas staff to erect a <u>five story office</u> <u>building is inappropriate</u> to the pristine skyline of the Lakes and surrounding area. I am astonished that staff conducted a field study and recommended that this project was "compatible with adjacent development and development in the area." <u>No structure taller than two stories is apparent for miles around the area.</u>

I have lived in the Lakes for 11 years now and have represented adjacent Assembly District 5 in the Nevada State Legislature about half of that time. In speaking to my many neighbors and constituents in the area, I have found yet anyone to support this aberrant five story structure.

Please don't misunderstand; we are not against the project. The height needs to be reduced to be compatible with the surrounding neighborhoods and office buildings.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Valerie E Weber Nevada Assemblywoman Clark County District 5 702.338.8452

Submitted at Planning Commission

Date \$19/07 Item. # 6

From:

Doug Rankin

Sent:

Tuesday, July 10, 2007 10:08 AM

To:

Dorothy Marsili Andy Reed

Subject:

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From: mdkravec[SMTP:VEGASELVISRENO@EARTHLINK.NET]

Sent: Friday, June 29, 2007 7:31:21 PM

To: Steve Wolfson

Subject: 5 story glass building on Sahara and Lake Sahara Auto forwarded by a Rule

Councilman Wolfson,

I understand that a 5 story glass building will be build on the corner of Sahara and Lake Sahara. I also understand that the West Sahara Community will have no control or approval over this building.

I believe that Sahara and Lake Sahara will have issues handling the traffic from this new building.

It will interfer with our peaceful residential area.

Children walking to school from the Durango apartments will need crossing guards and those of us who walk through there in the mornings will experience more pollution.

In addition, there have been built many buildings along Sahara west to Fort Apache and the businesses have not lasted. I believe that this area is for day workers and not night restaurant dining. Two buildings west of Dr Beckwith's office have had many owners or renters.

Lastly, there is a day care and a nursing home across the street on Lake Sahara will experience dust while building and traffic issues afterwards.

What kind of establishment will this be? Will the company be working 24/7? I would like to see our area remain residential and not full of traffic.

Please consider the feelings of those of us who live in this area because many buildings are constructed and then abandoned because of businesses failing or rent being too high.

Sincerely,

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From: dgfordham@yahoo.com [mailto:dgfordham@yahoo.com]

Sent: Monday, July 09, 2007 8:05 PM

To: Councilman Steve Wolfson

Subject: Internet Submission - Proposed 5 Story Office Building at the Lakes

Citizen Name: David Fordham

Email: dgfordham@yahoo.com

Comments: The Lakes was one of the earliest planned communities in the Las Vegas Valley. It was primarily a residential development orientated around a man made lake with a small amount of commercial (primarily 2-story office-no 3 story) located directly on Sahara as a buffer. The approval of a 5 story office building at the proposed site allows a building that is completely out of character with the surrounding area. The closest 3 story or higher building to this site is 2 ½ miles away at Rampart and Alta or Palace Station on W. Sahara. The rules that permit the approval of this building completely ignore the existing character of the neighborhood. Please restrict the height of this proposed building to more than the existing height of the Citibank building.

We were told at a meeting with the developer on July 9, 2008 that this building was modeled after an existing building at the intersection of Camelback & Scottsdale in Phoenix. If you Google Earth this intersection it is plain to see that this is the intersection of two major roads in a very commercial area-not like the proposed location in the Lakes.

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Advisory Board of the Export Import Bank (1995-1996)
Board of Visitors USAF Academy (1990-1992)
Board of Visitors USMA (1995-1999)
University of Nevada Board of Regents (1968-1973)
North Atlantic Assembly (NATO) (1989-1995)
Member 2005 Base Closure and Realignment Commission (BRAC)
Member California-Nevada High Speed Train Commission
Member Board of Governors United States Postal Service

July 12, 2007

### City of Las Vegas Planning Commission

I am writing in protest to the proposed 5 story high rise professional building on Lake North in the Lakes. As a state senator, I was present art the special session of the Nevada legislature that approved giving Citibank the right to operate interstate banking in Nevada. I remember the plans for the corner which were identical to what is presently on the Citibank site, and future stages would be identical and the same height. No where else in the area is there a building of this proposed height the nearest high rise of this type is on Sahara (the Nevada Power building) and miles away. On the north side of Sahara is Canyon Gate which build a high berm to give them privacy.

I do not object to professional offices on this site but such offices should be limited to a maximum of 3 stories to allow residents to continue to have their view of the mountains and privacy.

Sincerely,

James H. Bilbray

Submitted at Planning Commission

Date 7/12/07 Herr #10

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# 3 Story or Taller Office Buildings on West Sahara

6226 W. Sahara—Nevada Power Building—3 or 4 stories

5440 W. Sahara—SCI 3 Office Bldgs(3 of them)—3 stories

5100 W. Sahara—Clark County School Admin. Bldg.-- 4 stories

3300 W. Sahara—Wells Fargo Bank Bldg.—4 stories?

2700 W. Sahara—Bank of Nevada Bldg.—3 stories

2300 W. Sahara—US Bank Bldg.—12 stories?

These buildings all front directly on Sahara not on a side street as proposed by this project.

July 21, 2007

Las Vegas Planning Commission Development Services 731 S. Fourth St. Las Vegas, NV 89101

Gentlemen:

We are residents of The Lakes at Laguna Bay Estates.

Recently, we heard that a 5-story office building is being planned for the area adjacent to the Citi Bank on Lake Sahara. The developer also has plans for three 1 story office buildings leading down to Lake North street, and then around the corner. While we, the residents, would like to see that area built out, we are concerned for the extreme height of the building that is planned for five stories in height.

Please understand we are not opposed to having an office building that conforms to the height of all other commercial entities within The Lakes. This way, the general appearance and ambiance of The Lakes is preserved.

Your staff stated in their research "the proposed five-story office building is compatible with the surrounding office buildings and with "The Lakes" master planned area". We totally disagree with this statement. One has to drive three miles east on Sahara to get to the first building over two stories, which is the Nevada Power building, and that is only three stories.

This building is advertising sales of their office condos with "golf course" views and lake views. It appears the developer is looking to capitalize on the lake view and golf course view, all because he'll be permitted to tower over everybody.

Please take this letter as our formal protest to the height (five stories) of the building.

We hope this protest letter will be given its due consideration.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Carolyn and Henry Dee 8704 Carlitas Joy Court

Las Vegas, NV 89117

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# **Benchmark Association Services**

July 27, 2007

Councilman Steve Wolfson City of Las Vegas 400 East Stewart Ave. Las Vegas, NV 89101

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Margo Wheeler cc: City of Las Vegas Planning Director 731 South Fourth Street Las Vegas, NV 89101

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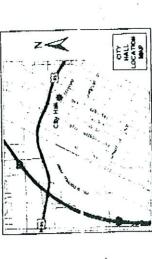
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